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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Gunnar Norstedt et al : Paper No.:  
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For: **Improvement of an Expression Vector for Production of Recombinant Proteins**

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated May 7, 2002, please amend the present application as follows:

**In the Claims:**

Please amend claims 1, 5, 8, 10, 15, 19, 23, 27, 30 and 44 to read as follows:

1. (Seventh Amendment) An in vitro method of enhancing the transcription of a gene in a DNA construct when the DNA construct is incorporated into the genome of a eukaryotic host cell, the method comprising:

(a) providing a DNA construct comprising a structural gene for a desired protein or polypeptide, a gene promoter upstream of and operably linked to the structural gene, and six copies of an enhancer element upstream of the promoter;

(b) transfecting the eukaryotic host cell to incorporate the DNA construct into the genome of the host cell; and